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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in

the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method for adapting to rapid changes affecting

a signaling path in a wireless signal link, comprising:

calculating a metric of a modulated signal, the metric indicative of

motion of at least one station in the link or motion of objects a change in the

signaling path as a function of a change in at least one modulation attribute of the

modulated signal transmitted across the wireless link, the modulation attribute

being at least one of amplitude, frequency, and or phase; and

adjusting at least one signaling parameter of the wireless link based at least

on the metric to compensate for the rapid changes affecting the signaling path.

2. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 1, wherein the

metric is calculated by a mobile station.

3.-4. (Canceled)

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- 5. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 1, wherein the metric is computed calculated from a signal in an automatic gain control (AGC) loop in a receiver unit.
- 6. (Currently amended) The method as claimed in Claim 5, wherein the metric is a function of a statistic of the signal in the AGC loop.
- 7. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 6, wherein the statistic is variance.
- 8. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 1, wherein the metric is computed calculated from a phase error signal produced by at least one of a delay lock loop, matched filter, or correlator in a receiver unit.
- 9. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 8, wherein the metric is a function of a statistic of the phase error signal.
- 10. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 9, wherein the statistic is variance.

- 11. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 1, wherein the metric is eemputed calculated from a frequency error signal in a frequency control loop in a receiver unit.
- 12. (Currently amended) The method as claimed in Claim 11, wherein the metric is a function of a statistic of the frequency error signal.
- 13. (Currently amended) The method as claimed in Claim 12, wherein the statistic is variance.
- 14. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 1, further including comprising:

comparing the metric to a threshold level.

15. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 1, wherein the adjusting the at least one parameter of the wireless link comprises changing an antenna mode.

- 16. (Currently amended) The method as claimed in Claim 15, wherein changing an antenna mode comprises changing from directive to omni-directional.
- 17. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 15, wherein changing an antenna mode comprises changing from omni-directional to directive.
- 18. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 1, wherein the at least one signaling parameter includes at least one of the following: a data transfer rate, a power level, an FEC coding rate, a modulation attribute, or an antenna characteristic.
- 19. (Currently amended) The method as elaimed in Claim 18, wherein the adjusting the at least one parameter includes reducing at least one of the following to a minimum level: the data transfer rate, the FEC coding rate, or the modulation attribute, to a minimum level.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Currently amended) An apparatus for adapting to rapid changes affecting the a signaling path in a wireless signal link, comprising:

a processing unit <u>configured</u> to calculate a metric of a modulated signal, the metric indicative of motion of a station or motion of objects a change in the signaling path as a function of a change in at least one modulation attribute of the modulated signal transmitted across the wireless link, the modulation attribute being at least one of amplitude, frequency, and or phase; and

a compensator <u>configured</u> to adjust at least one <u>signaling</u> parameter of the <u>wireless link</u> based on at least the metric to compensate for the <u>rapid</u> changes affecting the signaling path.

22. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 21, wherein the processing unit is located in a mobile station.

23. - 24. (Canceled)

- 25. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 21, wherein the processing unit computes is configured to calculate the metric from a signal in an automatic gain control (AGC) loop in a receiver unit.
- 26. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 25, wherein the metric is a function of a statistic of the signal in the AGC loop.

- 27. (Currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 26, wherein the statistic is variance.
- 28. (Currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 21, wherein the processing unit is configured to compute calculate the metric from a phase error signal produced by at least one of a delay lock loop, a matched filter, or a correlator in a receiver unit.
- 29. (Currently amended) The apparatus as claimed in Claim 28, wherein the metric is a function of a statistic of the phase error signal.
- 30. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 29, wherein the statistic is variance.
- 31. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 21, wherein the processing unit is configured to compute calculate the metric from a frequency error signal in a frequency control loop in a receiver unit.
- 32. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 31, wherein the metric is a function of a statistic of the frequency error signal.

- 33. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 32, wherein the statistic is variance.
- 34. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 21, wherein the processing unit is configured to compare the metric to a threshold level.
- 35. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 21, additionally further comprising:

an antenna having a changeable antenna mode, wherein the compensator is configured to change the antenna mode.

- 36. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 35, wherein the antenna compensator is configured to change the mode from directive to omnidirectional.
- 37. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 35, wherein the antenna compensator is configured to change the mode from omni-directional to directive.

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38. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 21, wherein the at least one signaling parameter includes at least one of the following: a data transfer rate, a power level, an FEC coding rate, a modulation attribute, or an antenna characteristic.

39. (Currently amended) The apparatus as elaimed in Claim 38, wherein the compensator is configured to reduce at least one of the following to a minimum level: the data transfer rate, the FEC coding rate, or the modulation attribute, to a minimum level.

40.-41. (Canceled)

42. (Currently amended) A computer-readable storage medium having stored thereon sequences of computer readable containing a set of instructions for a general purpose computer, the sequences of instructions including instructions that, when executed by a processor, the set of instructions comprising:

a signal adaptation code segment configured to cause the a processor to control a signaling path in a wireless link to adapt to rapid changes affecting the signaling path, the instructions further causing the processor to:

a calculating code segment configured to calculate a metric of a

modulated signal indicative of motion of at least one station in the link or motion of

objects a change in the signaling path as a function of a change in at least one

modulation attribute of the modulated signal transmitted across the wireless link,

the modulation attribute being at least one of amplitude, frequency, and or phase;

and

adjusting a an adjusting code segment configured to adjust at least one

signaling parameter of the wireless link based on at least the metric to compensate

for the rapid changes affecting the signaling path.

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